



ICD-10 Codes for Medicaid Billing

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What are ICD-10 Codes?

- International Classification of Diseases, 10th Edition (ICD-10).
 - Coding system designated for use by CMS and required by HIPAA for all electronic submissions
 - Used by physicians and other healthcare providers to classify and code all diagnoses, symptoms and **procedures**
 - Should be assigned by the therapist or supervising therapist providing services
 - ASLs, COTAs, PTAs should consult with their supervising therapist to determine appropriate codes

“Diagnosis Code” Confusion

- Concern that the therapist performing the service for the child may not be able to diagnose a child with a disability under the therapist’s professional scope of practice.
- The purpose for requiring such information is to connect the service being performed with the reason that it is being performed.
- ICD-10 codes serve as medical diagnosis codes, as well as ***treatment*** diagnosis codes.

Coding for Each Service Provided

- ICD-10 codes can change from one visit to the next.
 - Child receives Speech Therapy and has both Articulation and Expressive/Receptive Language need:
 - F80.0 – Speech Articulation Developmental Disorder
 - F80.2 – Mixed Receptive-Expressive Language Disorder
 - Child receives Social Work services and has goals to address Separation Anxiety and Relationship Problems:
 - F93.0 – Separation Anxiety Disorder
 - F93.8 – Other Childhood Emotional Disorders

Therapy Specific Coding

- Johnny is a SPED student with a *Medical* diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder.
 - The *primary disability* listed on his IEP is also Autism.
- Johnny receives Speech/Language Therapy:
 - Diagnosis Code = F80.2 – Mixed Receptive-Expressive Language Disorder
- Johnny also has seizures and may see the School Nurse in the event of a seizure at school:
 - Diagnosis Code = G40.B1 I Juvenile Myoclonic Epilepsy, Intractable, with Status Epilepticus
- Johnny also receives Behavioral Health Services:
 - Diagnosis Code = F44.9 – Dissociative and Conversion Disorder, Unspecified

Professional Association Guidance

- Each professional association has created guidance documents related to ICD-10:
 - AOTA - <https://www.aota.org/Advocacy-Policy/Federal-Reg-Affairs/ICD-10-Diagnosis-Coding.aspx>
 - APTA - <http://www.apta.org/ICD10/FAQ/#Coding>
 - ASHA - <http://www.asha.org/uploadedfiles/icd-10-codes-slp.pdf>
 - NASW - <https://www.socialworkers.org/Practice/Clinical-Social-Work/Billing-Codes>